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## Bahrain

### Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards

### Export Certificate Report -Update 2006

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**Report Highlights:**

Bahrain continues to require Health and Country of Origin Certificates as well as the original Bill of Lading, Invoice and Packing list to accompany each food shipment. In addition to the above, all poultry and meat shipments have to be accompanied by a Halal Slaughter Certificate.

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**Notice:** The information contained in this report represents the Agricultural Trade Office's (ATO) current understanding of Bahraini import requirements. These requirements may be subject to change without notice or there may be requirement of which ATO is unaware. Exporters should work closely with their importers in determining documentation requirements or contact the ATO at [atodubai@usda.gov](mailto:atodubai@usda.gov) for additional guidance.

### SECTION I: REQUIRED EXPORT CERTIFICATES

Products	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Dry pea, lentil, Rice, seed, fresh fruits & vegetables, etc.	Phytosanitary Certificate	This is to certify that the plant(s) products described above: -have been inspected according to appropriate procedures, and -are considered to be free from quarantine pests and particularly free from other injurious pests, and -are considered to conform to Phytosanitary regulations of the importing country	Pest and insect free confirmation	Public Health Directorate, Ministry of Health
All products	Country of Origin Certificate	The goods are of "xxx" origin	Country of origin confirmation	Customs
All products	Health Certificate	The goods have been prepared and shipped under sanitary conditions, do not contain harmful ingredients, and are fit for human consumption.	Health Certificate	Public Health Directorate, Ministry of Health
All Products produced in Europe	Radioactivity Certificate 1/	The goods have been tested for radioactivity and found to be safe for human consumption Cs-134: < 10 Bp/kg Cs-137: < 10 Bp/kg	Health Certificate for products coming from Europe	Public Health Directorate
Meat & Poultry Products	Halal Slaughter Certificate	Animals were slaughtered in accordance to Islamic/Sharia laws & requirements	Product produced in accordance with Sharia Law confirmation	Public Health Directorate

1/ Required for products originating from Europe only

### SECTION II: PURPOSE OF SPECIFIC EXPORT CERTIFICATE

See Section I above.

### SECTION III: SPECIFIC ATTESTATION REQUIRED ON THE EXPORT CERTIFICATE

- (a) Halal Slaughter Certificates have to be legalized by the Bahraini Embassy in the exporting country. Embassy from any other Arab country will suffice in the absence of Bahraini Embassy.
- (b) If exporter fails to legalize the Halal Slaughter Certificate, the Bahrain importer may do the notarization locally in Bahrain

**SECTION IV: GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATE LEGAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Original certificates must accompany shipment at the time of entry. Sometimes importers are allowed to have the documents sent to their banks.
- Certificates are used for only the accompanying shipment since it carries the details of the shipments.
- U.S. State issued export certificates are acceptable
- Modification to any certificate is not permitted once issued and shipped to accompany the product.

**SECTION V: OTHER CERTIFICATION/ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS**

Original invoice, Bill of Lading and Packing List are required to accompany the above-referenced certificates to complete the list of documents required by Custom Authorities for release of the shipment.

**Appendix A.**

The following are "samples" of certificates outlined in section I and accepted by Bahrain officials. The standardized export health certificates issued by FSIS and APHIS are not repeated here.

Note: At present Bahrain does not require a specific format for any certificate. Bahrain seeks only the information provided therein.

## Sample Country of Origin Certificate

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## CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN

CARRIER/EXPORTER   		DOCUMENT NO. EXPORT <b>BOOKING NO. NOL030636</b>	
SHIPPER   		FORWARDING AGENT - REFERENCES   	
BUYER PARTY   		POINT AND COUNTRY OF ORIGIN <b>GOODS ARE ENTIRELY OF U.S.A. ORIGIN.</b>	
PORT OF AIRPORT   		WE CERTIFY THAT THE GOODS SHIPPED ARE <b>ENTIRELY OF U.S.A. ORIGIN.</b>	
ORIGIN CARRIER (Vessel/Airline)  	PORT OF LOADING <b>NEW ORLEANS, LA</b>	ONWARD INLAND ROUTING   	
SEA PORT OF DISCHARGE <b>DUBAI, U.A.E.</b>	FOR TRANSHIPMENT TO   		

PKGS AND NUMBERS	NO. OF PKGS.	PARTICULARS FURNISHED BY SHIPPER DESCRIPTION OF PACKAGES AND GOODS	GROSS WEIGHT	MEASUREMENT
<b>DB-32 DUBAI</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20FT CONTAINER NO. MSCU 342507-3</b>  <b>SEAL NO. 1918411</b>  <b>FREIGHT PREPAID</b> <b>CONTRACT NO. 03-135WW</b>  <b>ON BOARD NAMED VESSEL</b> <b>DATE 05-10-05 BY</b>  <b>NO SED REQUIRED-AES-X20050510006499</b>  <b>THESE COMMODITIES, TECHNOLOGY, OR SOFTWARE WERE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS. DIVERSION CONTRARY TO U.S. LAW PROHIBITED.</b>	<b>1 LBS KGS</b>	<b>1000CFT 28.32CM</b>

The undersigned \_\_\_\_\_ (Owner or Agent), does hereby declare for the above named shipper, the goods  
 as described above were shipped on the above date and consigned as indicated and are products of the United States of America  
 dated at **NEW ORLEANS, LA** on the **12TH** day of \_\_\_\_\_


SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AGENT

The **GREATER NEW ORLEANS INC.**, a recognized Chamber of Commerce  
 under the laws of the State of **LOUISIANA**, has examined the manufacturer's invoice or shipper's affidavit con-  
 cerning the origin of the merchandise, and, according to the best of its knowledge and belief, finds that the products named origin-  
 ated in the United States of North America.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
Secretary

## Sample Health Certificate

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<b>EXPORT CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOOD AND DRUG UNIT 6867 BLUEBONNET BOULEVARD BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70810</b>	
<b>HEALTH CERTIFICATE</b>		
10 MAY 2005 DATE		
<p>This is to certify that the product(s) listed below has (have) been registered with this office in accordance with the requirements of the State Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law, Title 40, Chapter 4, Part 1, Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (amended) (LSA R.S. 40:627) and may be legally sold in the State of Louisiana.</p>		
Exporting Firm Name _____		
Address _____		
Product(s)	Manufacturer, Packer or Distributor	Registration Number
		296-F
<p>SHIPMENT IS DESTINED FOR U.A.E.</p> <p>WE CERTIFY THAT THE GOODS SHIPPED ARE FRESH PRODUCTION AND ARE FIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.</p> <p>Certified By: _____</p> <p>Program Manager, Food &amp; Drug Unit</p>		

شهادة ذبح حلال  
HALAL SLAUGHTERING CERTIFICATE

تشهد..... بأن شحنة الحبوب  
الافتار / المحرول / الجانوس / الاغنام / الماعز / الخرواعين المينة اذناه تد  
تم ضمها وقتاً لاحكام الشريعة الاسلامية، وذلك بمقتضى مخططة القروض  
ونحت اشترائه للبائس في المنطقة المينة اجداه ، نحو حلال وصالحه  
لاستهلاك لكانة المسلمين في أي بقعة في العالم . وتأكيده لذلك تم وضع  
عزم الحلال القاص على كل ذيهم / عشقون ، ونقذت الاضطرابات  
الفازمة لتع استلامها بالحرم لعم الحلال وأن عملية القبح تد تحت في  
كل ٧ يسمع انه يذبح الخنزير.

عاشم الحلال القرشي

يوم Day	شهر Month	سنة Year

Costs

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